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SUBJECT: JUNE 14 EA PRESS SUMMARY

1. KOREA

US CHINOOK COPTER INADVERTENTLY INTRUDES INTO NK TERRITORY,
IS SHOT DOWN 10 MI N DMZ. US TRYING CONTACT NK RE
INCIDENT (WP). NK SAYS 3 CREWMEN KILLED, 4TH CAPTURED.
US AUTHORITIES AT SEOUL REQUEST MTG W/NK (AP, GLOBE).
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TREWHITT (SUN) NOTES DETAILS SKETCHY, PRES' PRINCIPAL
NATL SECURITY ADVISERS MET EARLY THIS MORNING.

US ARMY CH OF STAFF GEN ROGERS TELLS HASC HE THINKS
PRES' PULLOUT SHOULD BE MODIFIED TO LEAVE OPTION OPEN
FOR KEEPING 5000 SOLDIERS IN SK. ADDS PULLOUT WILL IN-
CREASE WAR RISK, BUT W/ PROPER STEPS RISK WILL BE

ACCEPTABLE (AP, SUN). OBERDORFER (WP) SAYS TESTIMONY OPENS GAP BETW SERVICE CHIEFS/PRES'-BLAN. QUOTES ROGERS THAT JOINT CHIEFS RECOMMENDED PHASED PARTIAL REDUCTION OF 7000 OVER NEXT 5 YRS. ADDS HASC'S STRATTON (D-NY) PROPOSES ADMIN REAPPRAISE KOREAN SITUATION BEFORE MAKING DECISION W/DRAW LAST US COMBAT TROOPS AFTER 1980.

US ARMY COPTER CRASHES IN SK WHILE RESCUING INJURED IN EARLIER MARINE CRASH; 3 KILLED/9 INJURED IN 2 CRASHES (WP).

SAAR (WP) REPORTS NK'S KIM IL SUNG IN JAPANESE TV INTERVIEW TOOK SOFT LINE TOWARD US. QUOTES HIM THAT US TROOP PULLOUT "VERY GOOD THING" AND NK WANTS OPEN DIALOG W/US. ADDS KIM SAID VANCE WOULD BE WELCOME VISIT PYONGYANG ON UPCOMING PEKING TRIP.

SK INFLUENCE-BUYING PROBE WILL BE SPEEDED UP, ACCORDING HOUSE ETHICS CMTE CHMN FLYNT; PANEL ALSO APPROVES ACCORD W/ CIA ON ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED DATA (WSJ). BABCOCK (WSJ) REVIEWS ACCORD W/ CIA. NOTES SOME CMTE MEMBERS THREW BARBS AT SPEC COUNSEL LACOVERA. ANNOUNCEMENT THAT CMTE WILL MEET ON EACH OF NEXT 3 WEDS SEEMS ACKNOWLEDGE SOME LACOVERA'S CRITICISMS.

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CIA BLOCKED EFFORTS IN 1971 TO GATHER INFO RE PURPORTED SK INTELL OPERATIVE ON REP GALAGHER'S (D-NJ) STAFF (NYDN).

2. INDOCHINA

WB REPORTS MAY REJECT US AID IF CONGRESS APPROVES HOUSE-PASSED LEGISLATION TO PROHIBIT USE US FUNDS FOR LOANS TO VN/LAOS/CAMBODIA/ANGOLA/MOZAMBIQUE/UGANDA, AS WELL AS PROHIBIT LOANS TO FINANCE PRODUCTION PALM OIL/CITRUS FRUIT/SUGAR (PINE, SUN; CONNORS,JOC).

UN SPOKESMAN SAYS SRV ADMISSION "VIRTUALLY ASSURED" (WSTAR 7-14).

3. THAILAND

PRESS ASSN PRESSURE CAUSES RTG REVERSE DECISION CLOSE SIANG PUANG CHON NEWSPAPER INDEFINITELY FOR "INSTIGATING UNREST." PUBLICATION RESUMES AFTER 24-HR SUSPENSION (REUTER, WP).

4. PHILIPPINES

DETROIT COURT FINDS 2 FIL NURSES GUILTY POISONING PATIENTS
IN VA HOSPITAL. DEFENSE ATTYS SAY WILL APPEAL (NYDN;
WSJ; CHEYFITZ, WP; CHITRIB; AP WSTAR 7/13, SUN).

USAF SGT, WOUNDED LAST MO WHEN HOME NEAR CLARK AB ROBBED,
DIES (AP, WP).

5. JAPAN

JAPAN AGREES ALLOW US' CONTINENTAL AIRLINES OFFER DAILY
SAIPAN-TOKYO SERVICE THROUGH AIR MICRONESIA (WSJ).

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BANK OF JAPAN SAYS COUNTRY'S JUNE WHOLESALSALE PRICES
SHOWED BIGGEST 1-MONTH DECLINE IN 27 MONTHS DUE FALL
IN IMPORT PRICES FOLLOWING IMPROVEMENT IN YEN VALUE
(UPI JOC).

TOYOTA/NISSAN BOTH REPORT AUTO PRODUCTION/EXPORTS/DOMESTIC
SALES ROSE IN JUNE FROM MAY (WP).

6. JAPAN/AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIAN SUGAR INDUSTRY MADE 90-MIL-DOL CONCESSION
TO JAPANESE BUYERS TUESDAY IN BID RESOLVE DEADLOCK IN
SUGAR CONTRACT RENEGOTS BEING HELD TOKYO. PRICES REPORTEDLY
CUT ON CONTRACT PRICE 1.8 MIL METRIC TONS SUGAR, THO
COST STILL WELL ABOVE WORLD MARKET PRICE. JAPANESE
REFINERIES HAVE UNTIL 7/22 TO ACCEPT OFFER (UNICOM NEWS,
JOC).

GOJ ANNOUNCES HIROSHIMA/NAGASAKI WILL EXHIBIT IN AUSTRALIA/
POLAND 100 FOTOS DEVASTATION CAUSED BY ATOMIC BOMBING
IN WWII (REUTER TOKYO, WP).

7. AUSTRALIA

FORMER TREASURER OPPOSITION LABOUR PARTY CALLS ON GOA
TO ISSUE STATEMENT IN SUPPORT AUSTRALIAN DOLLAR, SAYING
COUNTRY'S 650-MIL-DOL DROP IN GOLD/FOREX RESERVES SINCE
JANUARY DUE SAGGING CONFIDENCE IN CURRENCY (UPI, JOC).

8. MALAYSIA/THAILAND

CSM'S MORITZ (HK) REPORTS THAILAND/MALAYSIA HAVE EXPANDED
MIL COOPERATION AGAINST MALAYSIAN COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS
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OPERATING INSIDE THAI BORDERS. CURRENT PROGRAM, INVOLVING 16,000 TROOPS, REPRESENTS LARGEST MIL COLLABORATION SINCE LAST FALL. FIELD REPORTS INDICATE FEW FULL-SCALE GROUND ENGAGEMENTS, W/THAI/MALAYSIAN ARTILLERY/JETS/CHOP-PERS/BOMBERS HITTING SUSPECTED GUERRILLA POSITIONS.

9. CHINA

WP REPORTS FRESH SIGNS HAVE EMERGED OF GROWING PRC/ALBANIA RIFT. SOURCES AT PEKING UNIV REPORTED SOME ALBANIAN STUDENTS, READY RETURN HOME, EXPRESSED DOUBTS WHETHER

THEY WOULD BE ALLOWED DO SO. SUNDAY, PEOPLE'S DAILY REPORTED PEKING RECEPTION TO MARK ALBANIAN ARMY DAY IN 4 BRIEF PARAGRAPHS; LAST YR REPORT RAN OVER 800 WORDS.

FRANCIS (CSM) SAYS INDIA BACK IN ECONOMIC RACE W/PRC IN EFFORT PROVE THAT POOR/POPULOUS NATION CAN MAKE GREATER PROGRESS W/FREER ECONOMY THAN W/RIGOROUSLY-CONTROLLED, CHINESE-STYLE ONE.

IN ITEM ON PLUTONIUM SPREAD, THATCHER (CSM) NOTES 1.2 LBS PLUTONIUM WENT TO TAIWAN IN NOVEMBER, 1974/USED AT TAIWANESE INSTITUTE FOR NUKE ENERGY RESEARCH. ELEMENT HAS SINCE BEEN PULLED OUT/IS AWAITING SHIPMENT BACK TO US. ERDA OFFICIALS CLAIM TAIWAN VOLUNTARILY RETURNING MATERIAL, BUT ROC EMB SOURCE SAYS THAT SOME PRESSURE APPLIED BECAUSE US "THOUGHT WE WERE GOING TO MAKE NUCLEAR WEAPONS."

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

10. CHINA

MATHEWS (WSJ) FINDS CHINESE HAVE BEGUN YEARN OPENLY FOR HIGHER WAGES/MORE MATERIAL COMFORTS/EASIER LIFE. UNCLASSIFIED

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WALL POSTERS INDICATE GROWING IMPATIENCE W/CONSTANT SACRIFICES. SEES EXPECTATIONS DUE HUA'S ASSUMPTION OF POWER WHICH KINDLED HOPES THAT MORE COMFORTS MIGHT BE IN STORE. NOTES DOING SO, HOWEVER, WOULD PUT HUA IN DILEMMA--HIGHER WAGES/MORE CONSUMER GOODS MEAN DIVERTING PRC'S LIMITED REVENUES FROM BASIC INDUSTRIES, ULTIMATELY JEOPARDIZING LONG-TERM DEVELOPMENT GOALS.

11. JAPAN

WSJ DISAGREES W/CARTER'S DECISION NOT TO "SWAP" ALASKAN OIL W/JAPAN. SAYS "POLITICAL REASONS" CITED BY ADMIN MOST LIKELY MEANS CARTER PAYING DEBTS TO AFL-CIO, AS RECENT MOVES CONCERNING ALASKAN OIL WILL REQUIRE MORE US TANKERS/EMPLOYMENT MORE US SEAMEN. ALSO CITES 140-MIL-DOLS IN EXTRA COSTS TO TAXPAYERS, WHICH, SAYS WSJ, "WE PRESUME IS JUST ONE OF THOSE THINGS."

12. KOREA

OLIPHANT (WSTAR 7/13) CARTOON DEPICTS GROSS MAN IN SWIM SUIT DICTATING POSTCARD TO BIKINI-CLAD DISH AMID RESORT SURROUNDINGS. CARD, FROM NICE TO HOUSE ETHICS CMTE, SAYS "AM RUTHLESSLY FOLLOWING THE TRAIL OF THE SOUTH KOREAN INFLUENCE BUYERS. TOMORROW I CONTINUE ON TO CANNES

TO FOLLOW ANOTHER HOT LEAD. WISH I COULD JOIN YOU FOR THE WASHINGTON SUMMER BUT BUSINESS IS BUSINESS AND ..."

UNIFICATION CHURCH PLACES FULL-PG AD IN WP DEFENDING REV MOON FROM ALLEGATIONS KCIA CONNECTION, ADVOCATING PROTECTION CONSTITUTIONAL RT OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM.

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13. INDOCHINESE REFUGEES

AUTH (PHINQ) CARTOON SHOWS BOATLOAD REFUGEES NEAR STATUE OF LIBERTY W/ LARGE "KEEP OUT" PAINTED ON BASE. VANCE

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